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In response to the Office Action mailed February 1, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

No claims were amended herein. The pending claims are shown herein for convenience.

1. A method for preparing a non-genetically modified processed food product, comprising:

a) certifying that non-genetically modified seeds were grown under conditions effective for harvesting a crop containing 5% or less genetically modified seeds; and

b) certifying that said crop was processed under conditions effective for producing said processed food product, said food product containing 5% or less genetically modified crop material.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein said conditions in said certifying step a) are effective for producing a crop containing 0.01% or less genetically modified seeds.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein said conditions in said certifying step b) are effective for producing a processed food product containing 0.01% or less genetically modified crop material.

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